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REFRIGERATING APPLIANCE COMPRISING AN

INTERNAL OLED LIGHTING SYSTEM

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EP 1 076 215 discloses that the inside chamber lighting is switched on by the opening of a door or by operation of a hand switch. The lighting device has one or more LEDs crosswired in parallel and/or in series with each other, and are switched by an electronic switch, preferably a transistor. Luminescent conversion diodes radiating white light can be used, or diodes radiating various colors, preferably yellow and blue or red, green and blue may be used. By the superposition of the different colors of the individual LEDs, white lighting is created. The figure shows a perspective view of the interior of an appliance which includes the lighting devices. Cool box 1 Side walls 2 Rear wall 3 Top 4 Light emitting diodes 5 Door 6.

DE 101 17 105 discloses that the item has at least one window element of frame construction with separated glass panels, an intermediate volume and an illumination device that radiates light into the space from the end. Light is at least partly deflected perpendicularly to pass in and/or out via the glass panels. At least one panel is diffusing with a surface printed, engraved, sand-blasted or stuck on at least one side. Low energy light sources are arranged at one end. The item has at least one window element of frame construction (140) with at least two glass panels at a distance forming an intermediate volume and an illumination device that radiates light into the space from the end. Light is at least partly deflected perpendicularly to

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the incident direction to pass in and/or out via the glass panels. At least one of the glass panels is diffusing with a surface printed, engraved, sand-blasted or stuck on at least one side. Low energy light sources (150) are arranged at one end.

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